

Abstract of the Disclosure

An electric fuel metering pump of a heating device, especially a water heating device in the form of an auxiliary heater or an independent heating device of an automobile, has a control device for controlling the metering pump and optionally the heating device. Hydraulic/pneumatic states (Z) and parameters (F, N) of the fuel medium are detected in a signal detector by the electrical behavior of the fuel metering pump, especially the flow rate, and evaluated in the control device for regulating the metering pump and optionally the heating device, especially a fan motor and an ignition device.